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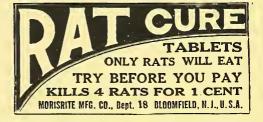
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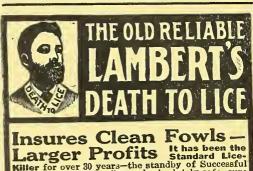
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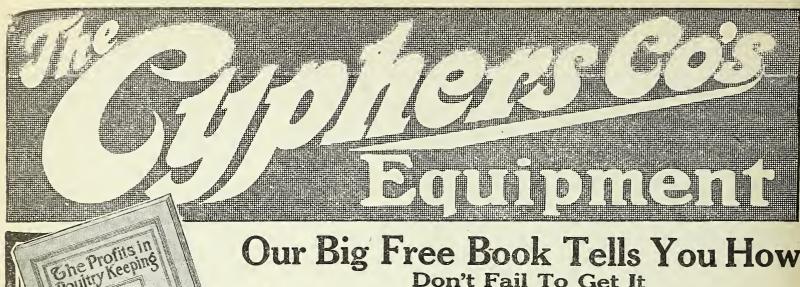
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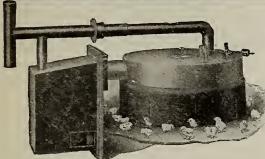
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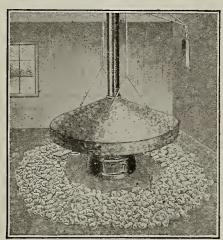
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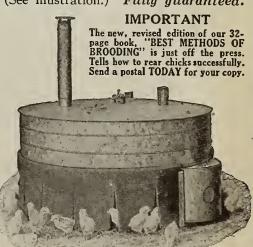
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# SOME RED FACTS

Rhode Island Reds Have Not Only Improved in Quality but Gained in Popularity Until Today They Are One of the Most Popular American Breeds Known.

By MRS. FRANK LANGFORD, Nashville, Tenn.



RETROSPECT of a dozen years brings to mind many changes in Rhode Island Reds. As I look back upon what constituted a good Red of that day, it brings a smile. Not only have the Reds improved in quality, but they have gained in popularity until today they are one of the

improved in quality, but they have gained in popularity until today they are one of the most popular breeds we have. No matter where you go, you find Rhode Island Reds or evidence to the fact that a Red rooster has been "the cock of the walk. This has impressed me strongly for the fact that when we began to breed Reds some thirteen years ago, friends told us frankly that we were wasting our time, that the breed was new and would probably never be in demand. The writer knew at the time that the Reds possessed sterling utility qualities and we firmly believed that these qualities would make them recognized. No breed, however attractive to the eye, or extensively advertised will hold the public's good will unless it really has striking utility qualities. Utility value or the faculty of producing meat or eggs, or both, is the rock and foundation on which the popularity of a breed must rest.

Recently on a trip to Marco, Fla., an island on the Gulf Coast, almost on the southern tip of that State, what was our surprise to find a flock of good Rhode Island Reds.

But to get back to some of the changes which have taken place in the appearance of the bird. Without a doubt, the best show specimens have improved a hundred per cent. The color is darker, richer and more even and uniform than it was some years ago. A Red to win in the big shows today must be a bird that is red all over, harmonizing well in all sections. This improvement in color is the most striking. The day has passed when the "Joseph's coat of many colors" bird can win prizes in good exhibitions. Red breeders have been entertained within the last year, with a discussion of the primary values of shape and color. This might go on indefinitely, but the fact remains that it is color, not shape, which makes the judge stop and place the bird. And this is so true that you do not find birds winning unless they have strong color. Then the very name of the fowl demands color and red it must be to be a good Rhode Island Red.

No one appreciates good shape, long backs, good length of body, low and well spread tails more than we. In fact, these very points have been a hobby with us in our breeding; still we know and recognize the fact that such a bird, no matter how excellent in shape, must have color to be valuable as show bird or breeder. Color is then the primary consideration, and by color we mean great richness, depth of color and uniformity.

Too many breeders, especially beginners. lay too much stress on comb and eye. These are details which are valuable points. A good low comb and a red eye are truly the crown of glory of a fine Red, if he possesses shape and color, however, do not look for these points first. They will not get you to the front in Red breed-

ing. Get color and shape and then make the finely finished bird of extreme quality.

Here are some points which we have learned from experience that may be of interest and perhaps value to someone else. We have found dark red birds the best breeders by far; they give a larger per cent of good colored chicks, also more strength in undercolor. We have never been able to make much progress with light or medium colored males. Another point is that it takes greater strength of color, more color in both male and female of a mating, to produce exhibition pullets. In



First Cockerel, Chicago, 1913. Owned by Paul W. Schultze, Laurel, Ind.

other words, exhibition pullets mated to a male of fine dark color, produce standard colored females and some finely colored cockerels. Color has been called the "will-o'-the-wisp" that you must ever chase and rarely ever catch. It is the study and problem of breeding standard Rhode Island Reds. Improvement is gradual and too much cannot be expected from one season's matings. Let the best raised each year be the means to the end of breeding something better another season.

### MATING THE BREEDING PENS.

Use Only Your Best Birds in the Breeding Pen-Birds That Come as Near to Standard Requirements as Possible.—Do not Mate Inferior Birds and Expect to Get the Desired Results.—Quality is What Counts in the Breeding Pens.

By MRS. JOE MULLIGAN, St. Josephs, Ky.

[EDITOR'S NOTE. While this article may seem to many as being a little late for this season as all the breeding pens have been mated, still we publish it knowing that it contains some valuable information which may be helpful to hundreds of the Industrious Hen readers.]

T SEEMS but a short time since the incubators, brooders and brood coops were stored away at the close of our last hatching and brooding season, and we have mated our breeding pens. I hope it has been the pleasure of many of our Industrious Hen readers to attend one or more

of the many poultry shows that have been held during late fall and winter. Such opportunity of seeing some of the best birds of the different breeds and of their several varieties, and social intercourse with successful poultry breeders in the exhibition hall is always an incentive to redouble efforts and greater faithfulness in the home poultry work. Of course you all realize the great importance of quality in the present stock of the season's youngsters. We often hear the declaration, "like begets like," and certain it is; we cannot hope for excellent quality in the progeny of inferior parents. Only our best birds should be eligible to a place in any of our breeding pens, and if they do measure up to Standard requirements, it will be to our advantage and profit to dispose of the lot and replace them with birds that are good in quality. Now, beginners, do not take exception to this advice for even though you have a nice large flock of birds such as they are, it will profit you in the long run to start the season's work very humbly—if such an humble start means as few as three Lirds of excellent quality. Every poultry raiser who is sufficiently interested in poultry to care to improve his or her flock should possess an American Standard of Perfection. Should there be a new beginner who reads this page that does not know what the Standard is, let me say it is a "complete description of all recognized varieties of fowls," and is the poultry breeders' guide and instruction in the breeding of poultry.



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In the intelligent mating of the pens this book is invaluable, as through a comparison of each individual of our flock with the ideal bird of our breed as pictured and described in the Standard, good quality and also defects are easily discernible. In selecting females for our breeding pens, the first thing to do is to cull out every hen and pullet-that shows disqualifying defects, then remove those showing poor quality and from those that have not been discarded select the ones for breeders that conform most nearly to the Standard description of a bird of same breed and sex. Breed characteristics should be our first consideration. No bird should be used as a breeder that does not show breed shape. Then the eye should be the right color; the plumage as nearly like in color to the Standard bird of our breed as possible, and comb without serious defect. Having selected the number of females for each pen, it remains to provide a suitable "head for each harem."

This male should be especially strong in points wherein his mates are weak. For instance, if the hens are inclined to slight eye color defects, then the male should have pronounced eye color; if hens are a little "off" in color of plumage, then the male should be of extra good color, and so on throughout all sections. My advice is when you find a reliable breeder, stick to him or her, for there is more danger of loss in being disappointed in your purchase from a stranger than there is danger from disastrous results from inbreeding, because the new male comes from same plant as his predecessor. Some inexperienced breeders are afraid to send to some recognized breeder twice for a male bird when in need of new blood, afraid of inbreeding. I obtain better results from the purchase of "new blood" when needed from some strain. If a male must be purchased do not expect to get an excellent bird at \$2 to \$3. Quality is always at a premium. Remember the male heading each breeding pen is half of the flock in that pen, that he is of equal value as the combined value of his mates, and do not be overcome if a price of \$10 or \$15 or even higher, according to your requirements, is quoted to you. Bear up like a man or woman; show you are game, pay the price—if the bird is what you want and find him the best investment you ever made in fowls. By purchasing this bird you get the foundation for your flock, the benefit of the sellers life study.

### WHY WE PREFER RHODE ISLAND REDS.

They Mature Fast and by the Time They Are Eight to Twelve Weeks Old They Command a Good Price as Fryers and Broilers.—As a Fanciers' Fowl and Winter Layers, They are Unexcelled.

By MRS. C. H. MARTIN.



HEN one begins to talk chickens, no matter which breed one prefers, there can always be found plenty of reasons just why we prefer a particular breed. So I will try to give in brief space some of the reasons why we prefer Rhode Island Reds. In these money crazed

days we probably turn to the utility or money side of the question first. First we have found the Reds such hardy fellows from the time the little red balls of fluff (that so warms the heart to look upon) leave the shell they just grow and grow. By the time they are eight to twelve weeks old they command the highest market price as fryers and broilers. Our groceryman gladly pays us retail prices for the fryers he can use in the spring, telling us the Reds are by far the best he can buy, as his customers always come back and ask for more. Secondly, they have proved for us to be the best layers about this community, and there are many different kinds of chickens raised around here. They surely do fill the egg basket even when the mercury is hovering around ten below zero. We are partial also to the big brown eggs in preference to the white shells of some other breeds. Third, there is their beautiful color. What is prettier than a flock of Reds, either on the lawn or in houses or the show room.

It seems to us the largest crowd at the shows are generally in the "Red alley." They are just the right size too, not being so coarse and ungainly as the heavier breeds, not so active and troublesome as the smaller. A four-foot fence as a rule easily controls them, whereas with the Leghorns or similar breeds you are as likely to find them digging out your much boasted of early bean patch or your favorite flower bed as in their pen.

Personally, we prefer a rose comb, but both combs are equally good. More and more farmers as well as fanciers are taking them up as the best all around breed. Many object to them, saying they are so hard to breed true to color. Is not this true of any parti-colored chicken? This is where the art and interest in breeding Reds come.

One must study them and carefully mate them and also cull them, to build up a flock to be proud of. Yet this is not so hard as an amateur would think. In the first place, start with good stock. Don't expect to buy a fine Red for twenty-five or fifty cents. You can't do it, although I have had a man call this spring looking for thoroughbred Red pullets for fifty cents each. He was rather thoughtless, to say the least, after we had wintered them, especially as all were laying and eggs selling on the market at thirty-five cents per dozen.

Get some good eggs or stock. Read up on them. Use only your hardiest, best colored birds to mate from. Don't hatch from a poor layer, no matter how good otherwise she may be, and I will venture to say you will not regret your choice of Rhode Island Reds as an all around chicken.

### THE RHODE ISLAND RED COLOR QUESTION.

Some Valuable Information from an Authority on what Real Red Color Should Be, and How to Get It.— This Should prove Interesting to Every Red Breeder.

By W. H. CARD.

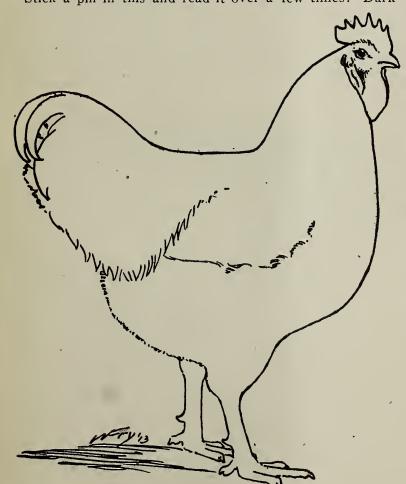
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SPITE of preachings, demonstrations and scientific essays on color, the opinion still prevails that the dark, blood red color is the right color and the one to breed for, because most of the awards are placed on such birds. But listen:

The dark birds are not placed in the awards

The dark birds are not placed in the awards because they are dark birds; that idea is entirely wrong. The dark birds are only so placed because their color complies with the only definite standard requirement on color, namely, "an even, harmonious shade from head to tail."

Stick a pin in this and read it over a few times: Dark



Ideal Type for S. C. Rhode Island Red Male.

It is just as important to have good type in Rhode Island Reds as any other breed and Red breeders should strive to breed birds that will conform to the type called for in the standard as near as possible. The above drawing will give our readers an idea as to what Rhode Island Red males should be as to type and will assist them in picking their best birds for their matings. In mating birds, pick only your best males and ones that have good color and type both combined, and do not let color influence you to use a bird that has bad type and does not conform to the type called for in the standard.

birds are simply a part of the general evolution of the breed, by which nature is assisting the fancier and breeder in his search for the perfect Rhode Island Red color. I have written at length on pigmentation, color relations, etc., in past articles which I take for granted have been duly considered by my readers. Let us, for a space, consider color values in the different shades, that we may in a measure, satisfy ourselves as to what we are looking for, and, I may say, that which we have not as yet attained, namely, the true and perfect shade of red for the breed.

In bygone days, rich, red undercolor was the prime requisite and it became the rule; nevertheless, the surface color had a half dozen shades of red, which entirely nullified the standard requisite of one even shade from head to tail, and thus it was that surface color became of more value than the undercolor, and breeders soon discovered that a dark blood-red surface was generally very even and harmonious from head to tail, although many such specimens had faulty undercolor. Yet careful observers of nature's laws noted that this dark shade was caused by an excess of black, produced by the demand for black wings and tail and black-tipped neck feathers in females. This excess of black is apparent to anyone who understands colors, by the dark red itself, which can only be produced by a mingling of black and red, and not be red alone. Plainer yet to even the novice is this excess shown in the peppered flights, black tips and lacings in those dark red males and peppering on shoulders of females, with smoke in undercolor, and the tendency of both sexes to color toward brown or chocolate from this dark shade.

Then again, the undercolor, if clean of smut, while perhaps the richest ever, is a number of shades lighter than this dark surface. These dark birds are valuable in the development going on to perfect this color scheme, and the breeding of the same should be encouraged, but only as a part of the scheme of evolution, and not because of their dark shade. To breed for the dark shade only is narrow and unfancier-like, as well as unscientific; to use this color in breeding to help the search for the true color by evolution is the broad, unselfish lines of scientific breeding for the successful future of the breed; therefore, stick to the dark birds as a means to the end, but not for the end itself, as it is not the true color and never can be with its excess of black so apparent.

But note: The color or shade of red which will carry an even, bright, red undercolor of the same hue as the even, red surface color, with black markings as they should be, in their proper places, is truly the shade of red of the highest value for this breed; this is beyond contradiction from any point of view. But this will only arrive when continued line-breeding has thoroughly subordinated the black pigment to the red color, and when this is accomplished the color of Rhode Island Reds will not be dark, blood red, and this conclusion is not without proof, even if no examples had been produced to prove it.

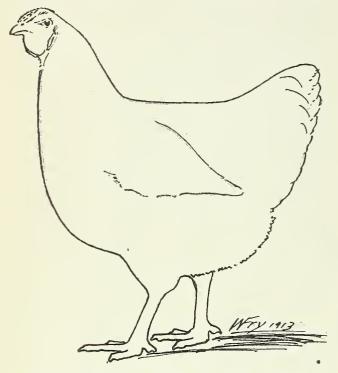
The red is surely the dominant pigment; continued breeding for this dominent character causes the black to lose itself and become merged into the red, making its last stand only in the stronger or larger feathers, as the wings or tail, which naturally draw larger quantities of pigment; hence the black points. Now for concrete examples as to the most valuable shade of red. Any dark, even, blood-red bird carries an undercolor a few shades lighter than surface color, with flights generally peppered; we have all seen such specimens, but, I may ask, have you ever seen such a surface color with an undercolor of the same shade? You can make but one answer: No.

Therefore, your conclusions are that the surface would have to be of a brighter red, a few shades lighter than the dark color to match the undercolor, which would mean a red color of the greatest value, because of the surface and undercolor being of one shade.

Again the query: Has such a bird ever been produced? Most assuredly, and the future will witness many more, until eventually they will be the rule, because they represent the highest point in this evolution of color; and, further than this, such color will carry black flights without peppering in males, and females free from peppered shoulders, for the very good reason that continued breeding in line for pure red has converted the black and hidden it in the red coloring, with the exceptions aforementioned, as to the stronger and larger feathers calling the black pigment. This color is the bright, rich, bay red, which is the delight, as well as the despair, of every true Rhode Island Red breeder; it is the highest attainable;

the acme in red color breeding, and also the hardest to find, of one even shade in both surface and undercolor; therefore, the most valuable. Yet, never forget that the dark, even, red birds are the only medium through which this color can be attained and are of the greatest worth for this purpose alone; but they are not the finished product, although many times the superior of the birds of mixed shades, even though bright, rich, bay red may be the dominant shade.

Uniformity is surely the rule in this season of 1915-16. Every fall show has brought out remarkable exhibits attesting this fact. Danbury, Conn., fair had a splendid



Ideal Type for R. C. Rhode Island Red Female.

The females used in your matings should conform as closely as possible to the above drawing. This drawing shows what type a Rhode Island Red female should have and the type the present standard calls for. It does not matter how good color a Red hen may have, if she does not conform to the above drawing in type or shape, she is not valuable as a breeder, neither could you go into the show room and win with her in competition. A Red should have good type, just the same as a Plymouth Rock, Wyandotte or any other breed and much stress should be placed on this important point by every Red breeder.

show of S. C. Rhode Island Reds and wonderful was the color of the class of pullets. There were twenty-three in the class and not a poor one in the lot, although some of the very best colored ones were immature and small. One-two-three-four pullets were full sisters and as large as hens. First pullet could easily have won at Syracuse. Second pullet had the true Rhode Island Red shape in every line, although none of the four were poor in type. First pullet was the best Single Comb pullet in color, size, shape and finish combined, shown anywhere under my hands this fall. The cock and hen classes were much inferior to Syracuse birds and cockerels would not have touched a place in that show, although of good type and color. Pens were also below the Syracuse standard.

Rose Combs did not show any great quality, although uneven color was absent.

The Hagerstown exhibit of Reds was very small, in both Single Comb and Rose Comb Reds. First cock was of fine type and very even colored, but not finished. Second, more finished and even also, but had poor eyes and comb and was not up in type. Third, of even color and in good plumage but was small and lacked capacity.

Only two hens were shown of ordinary quality. First pullet, a fine one in type and even color, although bordering on the too dark shade; second, not so dark, but fails in type; third, fails in color, but excellent in type. First cockerel would have won second place in Syracuse; was well finished and very even colored, of a darkish shade, strong, lusty youngster, perfectly sound throughout, fails a bit in type; second, a well-shaped bird of sound color, but with bad wings; third, an immature youngster of great promise in both color and type. Four pens were shown. First pen outclassed the lot in evenness of color and type throughout.

The Rose Combs had but one cock, three hens, four cockerels and four pullets, but of good quality throughout. First Rose Comb pullet had better color than first Single Comb pullet.—Rhode Island Red Journal.

REPORT OF MISSOURI NATIONAL EGG LAYING CONTEST FOR FEBRUARY.

Care of Birds in Breeding Pen.—White Rocks Win Cup for February.—R. C. Reds Still in Lead for All Time.

By C. T. PATTERSON, Pathologist, Missouri State Poultry Experiment Station, Mountain Grove, Mo.



URING the breeding season it is advisable to pen the best birds in order to hatch from them that the flock may be improved. It is too often the case that hens are taken from the range and placed in a close pen without proper conditions to make and keep them healthy, happy

placed in a close pen without proper conditions to make and keep them healthy, happy and profitable. There is no question but that the hen which has free range where she can select her own food as well as get proper exercise will do better work producing eggs and that the eggs are more fertile and the chicks hatched are stronger than the hen which is penned without proper conditions.

In order to supply the proper conditions for the hens, we should study their natural habits. We know the hens are fond of earth worms and there are many morsels of food selected from fresh earth by the hens; therefore, it is a good plan to turn some earth over in the pen each day with a spade. This should be done each morning as the earth worms come to the surface each night, then go back into the earth when the sun comes up. Therefore, the work should be done between daylight and sunup. If it cannot be done at this time, some boards or an old door should be laid on the ground where the digging is to be done. This protects the worms so they remain near the surface. A space of soil three feet square turned over each morning will furnish twenty hens with fresh earth to work in during the day and by moving systematically about the yard it will prevent the soil from becoming contaminated with disease.

Sunshine is one of nature's greatest gifts, but "the same sun which melts wax will harden clay." Although sunshine is of great value for it stimulates the birds to greater activity and is nature's disease destroyer, yet if it is used to excess, it may do great injury. Aside from a sun bath, it seems to be the fowl's inclination to stay in the shade during hot, sunshiny days, and wander into the open only during cloudy days and early and late in the day. If the birds are penned, they should be furnished plenty of shade. If natural shade is not at hand,



First S. C. Rhode Island Red Cockerel at International Show, Buffalo, N. Y., Jan., 1914. Owned by Rock Creek Poultry Farm, Genesco, N. Y. One of their famous "Chief Bender" Line.



artificial shade should be furnished. A good plan is to build a platform eighteen inches or two feet from the ground, and if it is so it can be removed, the earth can be dug up underneath, making a splendid place for the hens to spend the hot part of the day.

During wet, rainy weather the hens have an inclina-tion or desire to get up onto something out of the mud. They will get on the woodpile, the fence, a wagon or in fact anything to be up off the ground. The platform just mentioned makes a splendid rest for them. During hot, dry weather the hens get under the platform for and during the wet weather, they get on top of it out of the mud.

The hens appreciate all these little things and show their appreciation by the quantity and quality of eggs produced.

The hens in the contest made good records during February. There were 7,462 eggs laid during the month, or an average of fourteen eggs per hen. The averages for five years here in the contests have been as follows, fractions omitted:

1912	10	eggs each
1913	12	eggs each
1914	13	eggs each
1915		
1916	14	eggs each

The ten highest pens to date are as follows:

Pen.		Eggs.
59.	Rose Comb Reds, Missouri	399
75.	White Rocks; Washington	387
69.	Barred Rocks, Missouri	346
82.	Black Orpingtons, Indiana	345
102.	Oregons, Oregon	342
50.	White Wyandottes, Missouri	338
49.	White Wyandottes, Michigan	330
25.	Single Comb White Leghorns, Washington	327
17.	Single Comb White Leghorns, Texas	314
56.	Single Comb Reds, Iowa	310
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Z5.	Single Comb White Leghorn	is. Washington
48.	White Wyandottes, Missouri	
56.	Single Comb Reds, Iowa	

# RHODE ISLAND REDS KNOWN AS "MORTGAGE LIFTERS."

They Have Become Very Popular All Over the Country in a Very Short Time, Which no Doubt is Due to Their Good Qualities.



O BREED has obtained universal popularity in so short a time as the Rhode Island Reds. There are two varieties of Reds, namely Rose Comb and Single Comb. Their makeup is identical except their combs. For my part I prefer

the Rose Comb as I have, by comparing them with nearby flocks found them to be the best winter layers. There is no breed of fowls shown who command the attention as do the Reds. In nearly all large shows the "Red alley" is the popular one and you can always meet your friends gazing at these magnificent specimens of chickendom. The following reasons should convince you that the Peds are the best that the Reds are the best:

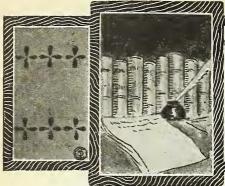
Because they lay more eggs than others. (See records of egg laying contests.)

Because they lay eggs in winter.
Because they are good size for table use.
Because their flesh is fine grained, rich and juicy.
Because they are great hustlers and thrive in all climates.

Because they do well in close quarters or on large ranges.

Because they do not require artificial heat in cold weather.

No breed has obtained universal popularity in so short a time as the Reds, and this is due solely to their merits. They are justly called the "mortgage lifters." You may be interested to know that the Rhode Island Red Club of America is today the largest of all specialty poultry clubs, and its membership is growing daily. I feel sure that as the advantages of the Reds become more generally known, there will be more Reds raised and kept than all other breeds combined. Think it over and be convinced that the Reds are here to say. Now is the time to start with this wonderful breed.



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### The Hatching Season.

**7** E ARE now right in the midst of the hatching season, which is the busiest season in the year for the poultryman. This season will continue well into the summer months, for this year every one is eager to hatch and raise all the chicks they possibly can, as the coming year promises to be the greatest ever experienced and especially in the South. From all indications and the reports we have received, many breeders have been unable to supply the demands for breeding birds. We received a letter several days ago from one of our advertisers, saying he had sold out his limited supply of breeding birds, but was getting ready for a big trade next year, by hatching out all the birds he could possibly raise this season. We know there are hundreds of other breeders in the South today who are trying to do the same thing.

Do not be afraid of hatching late chicks, because you will find that chicks hatched during the months of May, June and July and even August will develop into good birds and will be just right to win in the late winter shows and go into the breeding pens next breeding season. You will also find that late hatched birds will have better color than birds hatched earlier. Take a little tip from us and hatch just as many birds as you possibly can for there will be a great demand for pure-bred birds during the season of 1916-17. If you have to increase your house room to care for the youngsters, do so for you will reap your profit in the end.

By hatching out a large number of youngsters this season, you should start your advertising early, say July or August and be able to secure a lot of early orders for show birds for the early fall fairs, which start in July and August all over the South. There will be more shows held this season than ever before and especially those held in connection with county fairs. This will be the means of getting more people interested in pure-bred poultry.

# American Poultry Association Election—Nominations.

STATEMENT showing the candidates who received the required ten per cent of the total number of votes cast for each office:

Officers.		
President:		
E. E. Richards, Cedar Rapids, Ia423		
A. A. Peters, Denver, Colo 75		
Vice-President:		
A. A. Peters, Denver, Colo279		
Jos. Russell, Toronto, Ont 40		
Secretary:		
S. T. Campbell, Mansfield, Ohio585		
Time of Holding 41st Annual Meeting:		
Second week of August		
Third week of August 81		
Place of Holding 41st Annual Meeting:		
Cleveland, Ohio		
Detroit, Mich 41		

### Executive Committee.

District No. 2:	
Thomas Poole, Atlanta, Ga	150
C. P. Van Winkle, Dallas, Tex	20
Mrs. Florence Forbes, New Decatur, Ala,	20
District No. 5:	
L. C. Byce, Petaluma, Calif	90
H. H. Collier, Tacoma, Wash	59
J. D. Vcach, Hubbart, Mont	47
Robt, G. Bailey, Lewistown, Idaho	45
M. E. Dillingham, San Gabriel, Calif	18
District No. 6:	
John S. Martin, Port Dover, Can	53
W. M. Coates, Vancouver, B. C	51
Richard Oke, London, Ont	41
Jos. Russell, Toronto, Ont	28
W. R. Graham, Guelph, Ont	24
B. H. Donovan, Toronto, Ont	19
Robert Essex, Fruitland, Ont	18
O. L. McCORD	

O. L. McCORD, Election Commissioner. Peoria, Illinois, March 1st, 1916.

### Make the Right Start Now.

Now is the opportune time to start into the pure-bred poultry business, and we hope our readers who are not keeping pure-bred birds will start this season and keep nothing but high-class birds in the future. During

### A WORD ON ADVERTISING.

John Jones advertises his White Wyandottes every month in the year in the papers and keeps his copy running continually, using larger copy in the busy season and cutting down to smaller copy in the summer months. Henry Smith advertises only two or three months in the year. Which of the two advertisers will get the orders and gain the confidence of the readers? It is true that Jones will sell three people where Smith will sell only one. Why? Because by keeping his name and breed continually before the readers, he becomes well known among them. He has gained their confidence and therefore gets their orders. We have a number of Smiths advertising with us now who could be Jones and enjoy a splendid trade every month in the year. A poultryman always has something and can sell it if he would conduct his advertising campaign as any other business man would.

These are true facts which any successful advertiser will tell you. Take

These are true facts which any successful advertiser will tell you. Take this for what it is worth to you. We will have more to say next month.

the next two months you can get eggs for hatching or baby chicks and start at a very small cost, and build up a flock of high-class birds that will be a source of profit and pleasure for you. It does not cost any more to feed a good bird than a mongrel and why people do not raise more pure-bred birds we cannot understand. We want to see just as many of our readers as possible take up the breeding of pure-bred birds during the next two or three months. With a pen of good birds or a setting or two of eggs, you can get a nice start in your favorite variety and by the next season you will have a nice flock of good birds which will be a pleasure to care for and look after. You will take more interest in them and likewise make more profit from them. Look up the advertisers in this issue of the Hen and write them for prices and catalogues and make the

right start now, that will later bring larger profits. If you once keep a flock of good chickens, you will never allow a mongrel on your place again. A mongrel will not produce as many eggs as a pure-bred hen and did you ever stop to think how beautiful a flock of pure-bred birds are, all uniform shape and color, over a flock of mongrels, having all colors and sizes? Don't let another season pass, but breed good birds in the future and realize more profits.

### Jacksonville (Fla.) Poultry Show.

HE Jacksonville Poultry Show, which was held Feb. 22-26, was a great success, and the quality of was a great success, and the quality of the exhibits were unusually good. Every bird on exhibition was of high quality and a show bird in every respect. During the past season, the State of Florida has had some splendid poultry shows and they are doing a great work in boosting the industry in this section. Mr. C. R. Bill, Secretary of the Jacksonville show writes us that they have selected the dates for next year as January 22-27, 1917, and that the premium list will be mailed on December 1, 1916, which will give prospective exhibitors time to get ready to make their exhibits. This show will have exhibits from all parts of the country next season, as it is recognized as one of the best shows in the extreme South from an advertising standpoint and for making sales. Florida is coming to the front fast, as a poultry producing State and possibly produces her share as compared with other Southern States. Do not lose sight of the coming Jacksonville show, but make plans now to show your birds there the coming season.

### Cleveland for 1916.

T IS safe to say that Cleveland, Ohio will get the American Poultry Association Convention for 1916, because it is the choice of the majority of the members. The returns show that Cleveland received 411 voted against Detroit's 41 votes. The members also favor the second week in August, instead of the third week for holding the convention. The coming convention should be the largest ever held in the history of the association, because it is centrally located and will draw from all parts of the United States. Every member should make it a point to spend the second week of August in Cleveland, because it is possible that some important matters will come up at this meeting and every member is interested in the welfare of the association and the poultry industry in this country.

Be sure to vote for Cleveland. Boost

Be sure to vote for Cleveland. Boost for Cleveland and let us all try to make this the largest and best convention the American Poultry Association has ever held in its history. We believe that this will be the largest and best convention ever held because Cleveland will draw

a large number of members on account of its location and cheap railroad rates. Let us all pull together and make the American Poultry Association Convention for 1916 the greatest possible suc-

### How to Make Your Poultry Advertising Pay.

THIS is one branch of the business in which every poultry breeder is interested, and if he can make his poultry advertising pay him and bring the desired results in order to sell his surplus stock and eggs, he has solved a problem that will mean success to him in the future. It is not the fault of the poultry or farm presses of this country that the poultry breeder does not get the best of results from his advertising, but it is nine times out of ten the advertiser's fault, because he does not know how to advertise to get the desired results.

To make a success of advertising, a breeder should advertise every month in the year. By doing this he builds up a reputation and becomes known to every reader of the paper in which he is advertising. This is the result of constantly keeping your name before the public. Can't you readily see the advantage this breeder has over the fellow who advertises only one or two months in the year and then drops out? We have advertisers who have been in our columns for years and they have never missed a single issue. They are successful breeders and are making their advertising pay. Why? Because they know how to carry on a successful advertising campaign. As the season advances and during the summer months, carry only small space, just large enough copy to keep your name and breed be-fore the public. Then in the fall, winter and spring months use larger space. This is the plan by which you can make your advertising bring results.

This rule not only works out with poultry breeders, but in any other line

as well. How did the Coco Cola Company build up such a sale on their prod-Did they advertise for one month and then stop, expecting this to sell their entire output? It was constant advertising that brought them success. Even today, after they have advertised for years to build up this business, they continue to advertise more and more and this accounts for their great success.

If you have \$25 to spend in advertising, do not spend it all in one month, but scatter it out and use smaller space every month in the year. By doing this, you are sure to build up a reputation and gain the confidence of the readers of this paper, which will result in a lot of good sales of stock and eggs. The new advertiser whose copy runs only one month has a slim chance to induce buyers to purchase his stock, when John Jones, an old established advertiser has gained the readers confidence by keeping his advertisement before them every month in the year. This is the way to view the matter from a successful standpoint, and we hope our readers and advertisers will take this for what it is worth to them, and if they are on the wrong road, we hope they will right themselves and get on the road to success.

### "Bella Vista" White Rocks.

Lewes P. Doerhoefer, proprietor "Bella Vista" Farm, Anchorage, Keninforms us that he has hundreds of White Rock chicks out and they are developing fast and growing like weeds. Mr. Doerhoefer's hatching season is just about half over and by June 1, he ex-

pects to have at least three thousand out to supply the demand for both show and breeding birds, during the coming season. All of the youngsters will be raised on Blue Grass range which will insure strong, vigorous birds. "Bella Vista" Farm contains 80 acres and the "Bella chicks have the range of the entire farm.

We will give you a pen of purebred birds absolutely free and start you in a paying and profitable business. Let us tell you how. Write now.



# S. C. Anconas



# Silver Campines

Handsome, thrifty, range-raised birds that lay and win. Ancona eggs and stock at half price, beginning April 1st. Every bird that I have ever entered in a show has won a ribbon.

F. G. STICKNEY,

Tuscaloosa, Ala.



# First Prize Cock at Madison Square Garden, 1916

a REGAL WHITE WYANDOTTE hatched from a setting of eggs sold to Mr. Geo. H. Ward, of Manter, Conn. Here is his letter: chester, Conn.

Manchester, Conn., Jan. 15, 1916.

Dear Sir: No doubt you will be pleased to learn that I won First Cock Bird at the Madison Square Garden Show and that he was hatched from a setting of REGAL Strain eggs that I purchased of you in the spring of 1914, which adds one more to my list of winnings since I began breeding your strain of Wyandottes. Thanking you for honorable dealings in the past and wishing you future success, I remain, Yours very truly,

I have on record a number of instances where eggs sold by me hatched New York and Boston winners, but most of them I am not at liberty to mention. This goes to show that my customers are treated "on the square" and have an equal chance with myself to produce Champions. My 2,000 early hatched chicks are a fine thrifty lot, but it only goes to show that they are bred from strong, vigorous parents. If you are not satisfied with the results you are getting, why not start all over again with pure REGAL Strain? I guarantee a satisfactory hatch no matter where in America they are sent.

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PORT DOVER, CANADA



By F. H.REILS, Tampa, Fla.

AM persuaded to write the present article because of the continued requests that come to me from all over the country regarding this section in general and Florida in particular, realizing that many of our readers are vitally interested as they anticipate making their future home in some part of the Gulf Coast section, but in the majority of cases within the borders of

the State of Florida.

What I will say in particular in regarding Florida is in a reasonable degree also applicable to the entire Gulf Coast. My information is secured at first hand and from my own actual ex-One must not only have travelled over the State, but must have lived within her borders to fully realize the wonderful possibilities for profitable poultry culture here. Soil, climate, profitgrowing season, transportation facili-ties, markets, all conspire to insure success, if only the breeder will do his When these important factors part. become more generally known to the outside world, there will be an influx of settlers to our borders that will put the State in the front rank of poultry producing centers.

We have been so engrossed heretofore with the production of fruits and vegetables, that we have overlooked the "gold mine" in our back yards. Our people have been content with buying from other States what we can so abundantly produce at home. Consuming annually about \$10,000,000 worth of poultry products, we raise slightly over \$4,000,000 worth. The tide, however, is Newcomers reared among changing. surroundings less congenial, where success has been achieved only by the hardest kind of work against the greatest odds were among the first to realize and appreciate the advantages of this wonderful State. They have been a welcome addition to our population, bringing with them the more advanced methods and machinery of their respective sections and that optimism spective which is the harbinger of success.

These thousands of settlers are today the biggest advertisement of this State. With the single exception of Oklahoma, this State has made a greater gain in actual rural population and a more substantial increase in the value of her Southern farm lands than any other State, and 73 per cent of her farms are owned and operated by their owners

and managers.

Large capital is not required to start in the poultry business on a moderate scale. Poultry raising for profit is especially attractive to men and women of moderate means—on farms, in villages, in city suburbs. Even the thrifty mechanic or his wife in the residence districts of large cities can now keep a few fowls to supply the home table and help cut down the high cost of living. Poultry and farming; poultry and fruit growing; poultry and truckgrowing, go hand in hand. Any farm, small or large, would look abandoned small or large, would look abandoned without the flock of thrifty, productive fowls. Here they save from waste a large part of their food—here at least three-fourths of their annual product

is clear profit.

The business can never become a The egg supply can not be monopoly. cornered. Attempts have been made and will be made again to "corner" the products of the industry, but cornering a market means higher prices for the producer. To establish high prices is the chief object of a "corner." The consumer pays the bill—not the producer.

These commonplace facts suggest the broad and lasting foundation which underlies the modern poultry industry. They account in large part for its magnitude, for its amazing growth in this country. Here are a few facts that might prove of interest to those inter-

ested in this section:

The climate of the Gulf Coast section in general and of Florida in particular is the greatest asset to be considered. This applies not only to the health seeker, the fruit grower and the truck gardener, but equally to the poul-

tryman. It suggests at once green pastures, mild winters, a continuous growing season, the possibility of hatching operations throughout the year, and a minimum expense for buildings to harbor them. It makes possible the production of eggs the year round, because in proportion as we are able to hatch every month, will be determined our ability to bring in a new bunch of layers every month in the year. It suggests to the writer numerable advantages which the average man does not even contemplate when he begins his operations here, so I think it appropriate to review them as far as the limits of this article will permit.

First and foremost let us take up the feed problem. The cereals are higher than they have been in years, because This should of European conditions. not trouble the Florida grower. He has it entirely within his command to grow a great deal of the food required to care for his birds. No other State in the Union offers a more varied list than those than can be grown here, and because of the absence of killing frost we are making two and three crops in a year and making them at a minimum of expense at that.

Compare this single advantage with conditions as they exist in the less favored clime from which you come. Get the idea into your head that this is an advantage worth considering, then figure on the savings alone in feed that may be grown here during the longer growing period as compared with the shorter seasons at home, and you will readily see the possibilities of profits that may be made, where intelligent effort is applied. The additional profit from the single source is usually the difference between a profit and a loss,

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W. M. HARROD, Route 2, Box 12 FLAT ROCK, IND

### ≡BRATTON'S S. C. RHODE ISLAND REDS≡

were heavy winners at the Great Armory Show, Louisville, as follows: 1-2-3-4 cock; 2-4 cockerel; 1-2-5 hen; 2 pullet; 1 young pen and 2 old pen; champion cock bird of the show. These winnings were made in strong competition. If you want show, breeding or utility birds, write me for prices. Eggs in season.

R. L. BRATTON,

R. R. No. 2

NEW ROSS, INDIANA

and is worthy of the greatest consideration.

This is not a one crop section. The list of grains and grasses that may be grown here are legion. I will briefly enumerate them for the benefit of those who may not be familiar with them. The pasture grasses include Bermuda, Para, the various species of paspalum, and of Guinea grass. Bermuda is one of the best in the list. It has many qualities that recommend it. It is a grass that will stand continuous grazing, and is relished by poultry and live stock alike. It is easily started from root cuttings or from seed, and once started is there to stay. The most satisfactory way to start it is from stems and roots; they may be cut in short lengths and scattered broadcast over the ground, to be plowed under. Para grass is one that is now coming into deserved popularized to the property of the property o larity. It is a more rank grower than Bermuda, growing on good land to a height of from 5 to 6 feet. Rhodes grass is another grass highly recommended, making a fine hay, and alfalfa, though not sufficiently tried out in this though not sufficiently tried out in this section to permit of our unqualified approval, gives promise of becoming one of the best for poultry of all of them. There are numerous native grasses that spring up voluntarily, and that furnish excellent pasture for the birds the year through. Next come the forage and grain crops mentioned here beand grain crops, mentioned here, because the poultryman will doubtless have his cow and horse, and will want to grow forage as well as grain. Japanese cane, sorghum, velvet beans, corn, oats, Chinese beans, Yokohoma beans, cowpeas, beggarweed, millet and a number of others, constitute this list. Chufas, peanuts, and cassava are likewise relished by poultry and stock.

That we may grow profitable crops of grain for all of our stock has been amply demonstrated time and again. Corn yields well on any good land, as does oats, rye, kaffir corn, sorghum, millet, etc. These with the grasses and forage crops make up possibilities in growing feed that is not eclipsed anywhere. The cost of feed is an item that is worthy of consideration in its relation to profitable poultry culture. With every advantage in our favor, we have surmounted one of the first obstacles and one of the costliest.

### Regal White Wyandottes.

We are in receipt of a catalogue and mating list of Jno. S. Martin's White Wyandottes of Port Dover, Ontario, Canada, and we would like for all of our readers to have a copy who are interested in this breed. Mr. Martin, in his letter, also states that he had out 1,200 Regal youngsters on March 1, and he never saw a stronger or healthier he never saw a stronger or healthier bunch of birds. He expects to raise 4,000 birds this season. In writing Mr. Martin for his catalogue be sure to mention you saw his advertisement in this paper.

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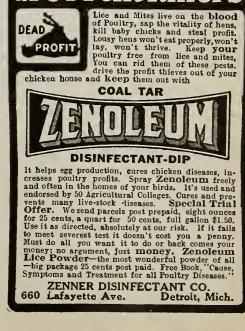
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Under this heading "Pick Ups Here and There," we will give our readers each month clippings from our exchanges that we think will interest them.

### Three Eggs from the Same Hen in One Day.

LBERT O. POPE, propriector of the Waldron Buff Wyandotte Yards, Waldron, Mich., reports that he has a most wonderful bird—a hen that has never laid anything but double yolk eggs. He informs us that sometime ago this particular Buff Wyandotte hen laid an egg weighing 6½ ounces and measuring 8½x9¾ inches. When broken, this egg contained an average sized hard shelled egg, which in turn contained a soft shelled egg the size of a walnut. Three eggs from the same hen in one day, we claim, is going some.

### Lice in the Nests.

It is under the sitting hen that lice find favorable conditions, and the following remedy will be found efficient: After the hen has been sitting four or five days approach the nest after the hour for feeding. She will show her disapproval by a great ruffling of feathers. Now quickly dust a generous portion of insect powder thoroughly into her upraised feathers. This will be most effectual with the hen, and the powder dripping down among the eggs powder dripping down among the eggs and hay of the nest will destroy all parasitical life. This may be repeated four or five days before hatching, but not later. It is all-important to gather the droppings from under the roost every morning if possible, but it should never be neglected more than two days never be neglected more than two days if one desires the fowls free from vermin and scabby legs. Few people realize that the largest of the poultry-house family swarm on a hen's body at night, drawing her very life's blood, and in the early morning crawl into the droppings and remain during the day waiting for the next night's feast. Thus will be seen the importance of removing the droppings daily, especially as warm weather approaches, if you would rid the poultry-house of lice. The use of the advertised "lice killers" will also be round and cious remedies as any.

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### First Garden Cock a "Regal."

We have been recently advised by John S. Martin, Port Dover, Ontario, Canada, that the first White Wyandotte cock bird at Madison Square Garden this winter was a "Regal," hatched from a setting of eggs he sold to Geo. H. Ward, of Manchester, Conn.' in 1914. Mr. Martin advises that this is not the first time winners at New York. not the first time winners at New York and Boston have been hatched from eggs he sold to customers. Mr. Martin also reports that he has purchased this first cock from Mr. Ward and that this bird will head one of his matings this season.—Poultry Success.

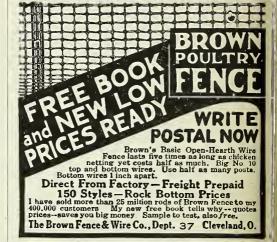
### Caring for Weak Chicks.

It is generally conceded that when a chick is sick or crippled it is better to put it out of the way, but now and then there are roports of remarkable work done with them. One man who had some valuable chicks found one which could not hold its head up, but seemed to want to eat, and was lively otherwise. He made a cardboard collar and sewed it on the chick's neck, and it grew to be one of his finest birds. He was called "the little minister," from his fine white feathers. Another man set a broken leg and the bird came out all right. Now and then a little skill will save a bird which later on will prove to be a good one.

### Marking Chicks.

If any record of proper breeding is to be kept the chicks must be marked in some way as soon as hatched.





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toe punch is the best way to mark chicks. If punched clean, the hole never grows together. Colored bands is another way of marking chicks, both old and young. This is a good way to mark them temporarily, or for a season.

Or leg bands may be used. These methods are inexpensive and all poultrymen who practice careful breeding should keep records of the pedigree of each bird; or at least so that the sire of each bird should be known.

### Weak Legs and Ducks.

Ducks must be handled very carefully at this season to get eggs. Avoid too much corn meal, or they will have weak legs. Cut clover very fine and sprinkle bran over it for a morning meal, and give as much as they will eat. They will need nothing at noon. At night give cooked potatoes or turnips, adding a pound of cooked food, with a quart of ground oats mixed in. Ducks are not partial to whole grains. A box are not partial to whole grains. A box of ground charcoal and one of ground oyster shells should be convenient. Always have a trough of clean water near them when feeding them. them when feeding them. Keep the floor of the duck house well littered with cut straw, and do not allow it to become filthy. The yards must also be kept clean if they are confined. After the flock is laying, a noon meal may be given, to consist of the same food as the evening meal. Weak legs are nearly always due to overfeeding, and especially when only grain is used.

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denotes egg production.

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Reds with the proper kind of food, with lots of fresh air and exercise, with dry quarters and fresh water will bring the eggs with vitality wrapped up in them, so that with proper incubation will mature chicks that will fairly "pop" will mature chicks that will fairly "pop" out of them.

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April showers bring May flowers, baby chicks and sunshine.

The poultryman is now a busy man. New broods are arriving almost daily. To care for these, to keep the incubators going, and to care for the breeding stock so as to get the largest number of strong fertile eggs is work enough to satisfy ones desire for exercise. And then the egg orders are to be filled. The inquiries are to be answered, in fact the man who has nothing to do in April is not an up-to-date poultryman. Of all the months of the year April is of supreme importance, so get busy, stay busy and you will have no regrets.

How shall we pack the eggs we sell for hatching purposes? There are many ways in use, several of which are good. Some use basket and excelsior and that is good. Some use the regular hatching egg carrier as made by the paper box companies and they are good. Still others use both box and basket and they are good, though a little expensive where we sell the eggs at a low price. So with the above successful methods we can use the ones most convenient and best suited to our conditions and rest assured that the eggs will reach the customer in good condition.

When eggs are shipped quite a distance for hatching purposes, they should be unpacked and allowed to "rest" for 24 hours before they are set. This allows them to overcome any shock they may have received in transit and makes our chances for getting a good hatch much better. We have heard of some instances where eggs were set immediately upon arrival and not one chick hatched from the whole setting. Of course many people know that it is necessary to "rest" the eggs, yet there are some who do not because they are beginners, hence we give this little advise for their keneft vice for their benefit.

Quality not quantity, should be our aim in the poultry work this season. There is more profit in 100 \$10 birds than there is in 1000 \$1 birds. So let's aim for quality, when we do this, we get enough cheap birds, so do not buy "cheap" eggs or breeding stock, but invest what you have to spend in a few choice eggs or breeding birds and get the most profit out of your work. There is also more profit in keeping 100 hens that will lay 150 eggs per year, than there is in keeping 1000 hens that will lay only 100 eggs per year. And there are fewer hens that lay over 150 eggs per year than that lay over 100. It cost considerable to feed a hen a year so while we are feeding her let's be sure that we have the ben that will lay enough eggs to pay for her feed and

care and pay a profit besides. Trap nest your hens. Find out the ones that are laying. Get rid of the loafer. you can not trap nest your birds, then buy a few eggs from the man who does and start a flock of paying hens.

Commenting on an article in Reliable Poultry Journal regarding the Harrison-Penick case, Dr. Woods, editor American Poultry Journal says in part: "Reviewing the lengthy and tiresome report of the Harrison-Penick case in December Reliable Poultry Journal we are reminded of the old saying nal we are reminded of the old saying of Scott, 'Oh what a tangled webb we weave, when first we practice to de-ceive." Then Dr. Woods goes on at length commenting on the various articles by Mr. Curtis and all the way down the line he seems to defend Mr. Harrison. Now we know nothing of the two men involved in this much talked-of controversy. And we do not know which is to blame, Mr. Harrison or Mr. Penick, however we have read practically all the evidence on both sides since the beginning and we have always thought that Mr. Penick did not get what we would call a square deal. Moreover we do know that Mr. Curtis' opinion which he expresses only after careful investigation in such cases as this one, is usually pretty near right. Mr. Curtis is, we believe doing as much for the advancement and protection of the poultry industry in America as any man and unless Dr. Woods has stronger argument than that appearing in March American Poultry Journal we shall not believe Mr. Curtis has any other motive at heart than that which is honorable and for the best interests of his fellowman.

The price of eggs has gone so low as to make us think of some means of holding our eggs for a better price. Unless our readers are able to contract with some club, hotel or private families to take their surplus eggs at a fixed price, then we would advise that they put them down in a solution of Water Glass. This solution will keep eggs perfectly for from 8 to 12 months and the cost is small. Of course many of us should be able to make contracts at a good price for the year around and where such can be done we do not advise preserving the eggs.

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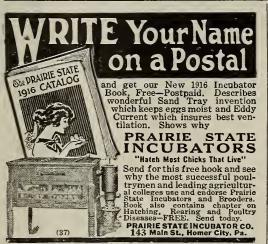
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BY S. J. HOPPER, Dallas, Texas

Former Editor Southern Poultry Journal.

### Money in Turkeys.

HUMORIST once said that he knew there was money in the poultry business because he had put quite a few dollars there and had never gotten it out. The gentleman who made the remark eventually got all he had put into it out and got com-pound interest besides. But to the question.

There were places in Texas and the Southwest generally where some of the farmers made more clear money off of their turkeys than they did off of their cotton. From Stillwater, Oklahoma cotton.

somes this pleasant news:

Twelve turkey hens and one tom netted Mrs. D. J. Martin, of Wynnewood, Okla, \$147.25 in profits in one season, besides leaving her twenty-two young hens to start the present season. The turkeys fed themselves from waste on the farm, save for one sack of chops costing \$1.65, and any damage that they may have done to grain crops was probably overbalanced by the vast amount of worms and bugs which the turkeys devoured.

In what other line of industry can a few dollars and a little effort produce as much money, not counting the pleasure that one gets from a handsome flock roaming around the farm.

### Poultry Shows on the Increase.

HERE were so many shows held in the Southwest last year that lots of folks thought it was being overdone, but the interest in thoroughbred poultry has grown so much that these shows were patronized, from the standpoint of entries and attendance, so well that the number of shows this year will surpass that of last year.

Mansfield, (La.), Galveston and Georgetown, (Tex.) have recently organized to hold shows during the next season. Georgetown expects to hold the world's record local show. Entries and admission will be free. In addition to the prizes offered to the general public, there will be a number of cash prizes offered to breeders in the county who have never shown their poultry before. Local shows have a field of work that is particularly their own. They can is particularly their own. They can reach lots of folks that could never be reached in any other way nor by any Because of this the other agency. breeders should lend such shows every favor and encouragement. May the good work continue.

When you come to discuss what is and is not of benefit to any given breed of standard breed of fowls, there is the best interests of the breed. Naturally there are those who claim that showing them in that way is of material benefit to the breed. Between the two

there is an argument that we will not enter into at the present time. Suffice it to say that in Texas, showing the variety in two classes has been of great benefit to the breed. For several years preceding the time when the Texas State Fair started to dividing the classes, fifty Barred Rocks in a show was a hot class. Last year we had one was a hot class. Last year we had one hundred and eighty-five and one hundred and forty at the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth in March this year.

Every one who carefully observes conditions affecting different breeds readily admit that one of the chief factors is the comparative entry on that breed at the various shows. In addition to this particular advantage that results from the large entry, a prominent breeder advises us that the various breeders are having better satisfaction among those to whom they sell stock and eggs. It used to be that a customer

would order a bird, pair, trio or pen without knowing just what he wanted, withtout telling the breeder just what he wanted. When his purchase arrived, if he had been looking for light ones and got dark ones he was dissatisfied and vice versa. Since the variety has begun to be shown in the light and dark classes, in this section, it has been more easy to get the customer to describe just what he wants and the satisfaction that most breeders are anxious to give is more universal. In other words, the Texas Barred Plymouth Rock Club is

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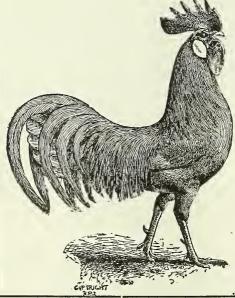
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highly pleased with the results of showing light and dark Plymouth Rocks. Mr. Burton, superintendent of the poultry department of the Dallas Fair has his eye on a four hundred bird entry in this class for next year. The breeders in this territory claim that his hopes are not too high. If that be a fact what Barred Rock fancier will haggle over the small points in the case. It is practically settled that Texas is

It is practically settled that Texas is to have an officially conducted egg laying contest. Every plan and feature concerning it will be carefully considered and passed upon before the rules and regulations are announced. There have been mistakes and oversights in almost all of the various contests heretofore conducted. Our State poultry husbandman, Mr. Kazemier, is carefully investigating all of the virtues and short comings of the various contests. A serious disagreement between the authorities and the patrons of some of the contests is the fact that the authorities have been incubating the eggs laid and then selling the stock raised. Mr. Kazemier assures us that the hens in the Texas contest will not have males with them. Every other possible objection will be eliminated and every possible inducement will be offered because Texas cannot afford to have an egg laying contest unless it is A-1 in grade.

Following up our prediction in earlier editions, we are glad to say that the trade in stock and eggs has been better in the Southwest than for a number of years. There are not many big poultry breeders in this section. One breeder

who only has thoroughbreds as a side line advises us that he sold \$900 worth of stock and eggs in January and February. During the last three months we have in one way and another heard from and talked with more than three hundred breeders. Each and every one of them reports that trade in both stock and eggs is fine. And turkeys, well you couldn't find enough turkeys and turkey eggs to supply the demand.

### Fort Worth (Texas) Show.

IT IS altogether possible that Fort Worth is the only city in this country that holds a successful poultry show in March. Wherever it may be held a show of a thousand entries that is a financial success and is held under conditions that make a good attendance possible, is a success, because poultry shows are held for but one purpose and that is to interest people in thoroughbred poultry. Naturally the fact that they are not financial successes is material, because such poultry shows as are

not financial successes soon pass out.

The Fort Worth show was a success because there was a splendid entry in all of the popular varieties, because the attendance was fine, the judging satisfactory and all of those other things that must go to make a good show were there in full force. The leading class was Barred Rocks, with one hundred and forty on exhibition. It is possible that the star was the pullet bred male, one of the best ever seen anywhere. The rest of the varieties followed in their usual order, except that the Black Langshan class was the largest seen in this section in many days.

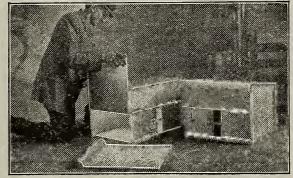
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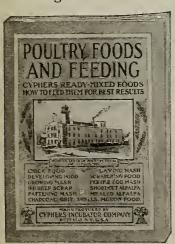
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### Care and Food for the Young Turkey.

HIS subject has been written on by me several times in the life of The Industrious Hen; nevertheless, her readers have continually insisted upon my giving special attention—sometimes months before the time for turkeys to hatch. To write each a personal letter requires considerable time and again, each season to remind those who already have read my plan, is good, as they may have forgotten some things that should be kept before them.

A very important reminder is healthy breeding stock. One cannot expect to get healthy, vigorous poults from weak, unhealthy parents. Another important thing, do not mate too many hens to one male. Ten hens in one pen is enough with a strong, vigorous tom. Now that we have our healthy stock mated properly, we may expect strong, healthy poults—if eggs are gathered daily and not allowed to get chilled or be too long in one position. Before incubation they should be turned every day or so, and kept in a moderately cool place to prevent the life germ from growing and dying. There are a number of people who do not know a fertile egg from an egg with a stale or dead germ. A fertile egg never mixes the yelk and white after three or four weeks incubation; while a fertile egg that was stale before incubation, or has suffered from improper care during incubation, will get thin and watery with bad odor, many times forming gas, causing shell to burst and befoul the nest and remaining eggs. In such cases the nest should be cleaned up and eggs washed clean and dried as quickly as possible, not allowing eggs to remain in the tepid water any longer than the work can be accomplished.

I usually set two or three turkey hens and several chicken hens at the same time, that a nice lot may come off at once. When they begin to hatch, notice whether the hen seems to be nervous or not, and if she is quiet, I leave her alone; but if she appears to be restless, I put a glove on my hand and gently slip the baby turks out into a basket lined with a warm cloth to prevent chilling, and keep them by the fire until hatch is over. Take all the turkeys from the chicken hens, and after dusting each little one with a good insect powder, and giving mother turkey a thorough dusting likewise, I put the babies and mother in a board coop about 10 x 12 feet square and board about 12 or 15 inches high, to prevent the little ones from wandering off from mother until they have learned her call or "baby talk." We should not put more than twenty-five with one hen, as that is as many as she can keep warm when hovered, and I really believe we should raise a larger per cent of the young hatched if she had fewer to care for.

After placing them in pen, and pen on a sunny, grassy slope, I place them their first meal, then forty-eight to fifty hours old, a hard boiled egg, chopped with onion tops, lettuce leaves, dandelion leaves, or pepper-grass, chopped fine for green food. Over this I sprinkle a little ground black pepper and ground charcoal on a bank of sand, or if sand is not convenient, I use small chick grit in pen near the food. Sometimes I beat up old broken crockery fine and put it before them. They must have something in their gizzard to grind the food and aid digestion; without grit of some kind they soon eat themselves so full that a fermentation sets up and we wonder what has gone wrong. One egg to twenty-five turks is a sufficiency for one ration, and I would say a single handful of green stuff. They should be fed three times a day as long as they are confined, which should be four or five days, if weather is pleasant, and of cold and rainy, a dry house or portable coop should be provided, and coop moved a few feet every day away from where they roost, as a turkey's nature is cleanliness and pure air. If weather is fine, I let them begin their natural rambles for insects and tender grasses for a few hours each day, after dew is off, and drive them in before evening dews begin to fall. After they are out on the range for a week or ten days I begin feeding more wholesome food of sweet milk with stale bread crumbs soaked in it, with my ground pepper and charcoal over it. Drain milk off that it may not be sloppy. They relish this for their supper very much.

I have not mentioned water. While confined in the coop they drink a great deal, and it should be in a shallow pan with small pebbles in it to prevent them from getting wet, as a thorough wetting and chill often causes death. At two weeks old I add cottage cheese, made of the waste milk. This is made by letting the milk clabber and then

heat until the whey will separate from the cheese, then drain off whey and you will have a crumbly nice food, which they relish very much; but if allowed they will eat too much, and cause indigestion, and care should be taken in feeding it. More young turkeys and chicks are killed by kindness and overfeeding than the lack of it, and when digestion is overstocked, the liver gets torpid and the whole machine is out of order. After poults are a month old and are traveling miles each day and are full of insects they need a nice supper to induce their return home each evening, and see that they are safe in a nice large coop with gauze wire doors to let in plenty of fresh air and keep out all intruders.

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Rheumatism.

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Editor Industrious Hen,
Louisville, Ky.
Dear Sir: Would you be so kind as to tell
me what ails my hen. Feet are swollen to
first joint (on knee). Looks very much inflamed. Have great lumps or sores coming
out on feet. It is not scaly leg. I am pretty
familiar with most chicken diseases. Please
let me know as soon as you can. Respectfully,
MRS. KATE MILHOLLAND.

St. Petersburg, Fla.

ANSWER. Your hen has a very peculiar trouble and the swollen joints and legs indicate rheumatism, but I am at a loss to know what is causing the lump and sores on the feet. If she does not show some improvement soon, I would kill her. I do not think it is anything contagious, but it is safer to isolate her and do not let her run with the rest of the flock. Suppose you rub the legs and feet with some grain alcohol and give her twenty grains of Epsom salts and follow next day with fifteen grains of bicarbonate of soda in a pint of drinking water.

Frosted Combs.

Frosted Comps.

Editor Industrious Hen,
 Louisville, Ky.
 I have a valuable White Orpington cockerel that has gotten his comb frosted and I would like for you to give me a remedy for treating such cases. He is a valuable show bird and I want to save his comb if I possibly can. I am a subscriber to your paper and like it fine. In fact, I could not get along without it. Please answer through your next issue. Yours truly,
 W. H. W. fine. In fact, it. Please and Yours truly, Puxico, Mo.

ANSWER. If a comb is not too badly frosted you can save it by starting to work on it at once. In treating such cases, do not try to throw it out all at once. Use snow if you can get it at the time and apply to the frosted parts. This will draw it out, but it will take constant applications of this. there are blisters on the comb open them and let the water out and apply witch hazel salve to the parts.

Lice.

Lice.

Editor Industrious Hen,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir: What do you consider the best way to kill lice on grown fowls. My flock of Barred Rocks are lousy and I want to get some good reliable way to kill the lice and I know you could tell me. Yours truly, Macon, Ga.

B. W. H.

ANSWER. The best way to kill lice on grown birds is to secure some good reliable louse powder and dust the birds according to directions and you will be able to rid your flock of these pests. Any of the louse powder advertised in the columns of the Industrious Hen will give you good results. You can secure most any of them from your dealer or direct from the manufacturer.

Feeding the Chicks.

Editor Industrious Hen,
Louisville, Ky.
Dear Sir: How old should a baby chick be

before it gets its first feed, and do you think that by feeding them too soon it has any bad effect on the chick's health? I have always fed our baby chicks as soon as we take them from the incubator. Do you think this is too soon. We have never been so very successful with them. Very truly yours, Houston, Tex.

B. H. S.

ANSWER. Do not feed the baby chicks

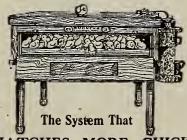
until they are at least forty-eight hours old and many wait even longer than this. ture provides food for them up to this time, as the chick absorbes the yolk of the egg just before being hatched and this food will be sufficient for forty-eight hours at least. Feeding them so soon after hatching is probably the reason you have not been more successful in the past.

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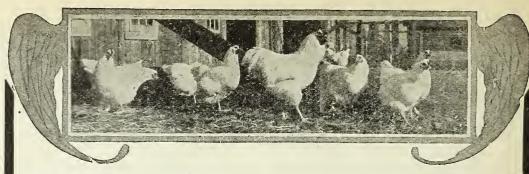
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THE INDUSTRIOUS HEN,
Dear Sirs: Am dropping you a few lines in regard to the pair of S. C. Black Minorcas received last week from Harley L. Williams, of Moultrie, Ga. They arrived O. K. Must say I am very much pleased with them and also to say I enjoy the Industrious Hen. I am,
2300 Pike Avenue.

O. A. FINIEU

INDUSTRIOUS HEN,

Dear Sirs: Received the pair of White Orpingtons from Mrs. Kenney, Wednesday night, the 12th, and am highly pleased with same. Thanking you very much for securing these birds, I beg to remain, Yours very truly,

BEN H. McGHEE.

Roanoke, Va., Nov. 20, 1915.

Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen: I received yesterday from the Catalpas Poultry Yards, Dry Ridge, Ky., the pair of Barred Rocks which you so kindly gave me for soliciting subscriptions for you. The birds are even finer than I expected to get, which goes without saying that I am more than pleased with them. I am not much of a judge of chickens, having just started to raise a few, but as far as I know, I think the pullet bred line that were sent me will give entire satisfaction. Thanking you and Mr. Steers for the favor and general promptness from both of you. I am sure that the birds sent are of the finest stock.

Very truly yours,

H. E. MURRAY

THE INDUSTRIOUS HEN,

Dear Sirs: The

THE INDUSTRIOUS HEN,

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THE INDUSTRIOUS HEN,

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